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SUBJECT: EMERGENCY MEASURES PRISONERS EXECUTED

REF: SEOUL 2337

1. RADIO APRIL 9 REPORTS THAT EIGHT EMERGENCY MEASURES PRISONERS INVOLVED IN PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY PARTY CASE WERE EXECUTED EARLIER THAT MORNING AT SEOUL PRISON. REFTEL REPORTED SUPREME COURT ACTION PREVIOUS DAY WHICH UPHELD DEATH SENTENCES FOR PRP PRISONERS.

2. RADIO WHICH DOES NOT CITE ANY OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTION, REPORTS THAT HANGING WAS WITNESSED BY SIX PEOPLE, INCLUDING A PROSECUTOR OF EMERGENCY APPELLATE COURT AND PRISON WARDEN. RADIO SAID THAT LAST WORDS OF PRISONER TO YE-CHONG REPORTEDLY WERE THAT HE HOPED KOREA WOULD BE UNIFIED UNDER COMMUNIST RULE.

3. THERE HAS BEEN NO PRESS REACTION TO EXECUTION BECAUSE PAPERS NOT PUBLISHED AFTERNOON APRIL 9 DUE TO "NEWSPAPER DAY". CBS RADIO REPORTS THAT FAMILIES OF SOME EXECUTED PRISONERS WERE AT PRISON ATTEMPTING
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TO VISIT IMPRISONED RELATIVES DURING MORNING OF EXECUTION.

4. EMBASSY ASKED BUREAU PUBLIC INFORMATION, MCUI,
IF ROKG PUBLIC STATEMENT ON EXECUTION IS AVAILABLE.
BUREAU REPLIED IT HAD NO STATEMENT OR KNOWLEDGE OF
ANY PLANS TO ISSUE STATEMENT.

5. PROPOSED EMBASSY STATEMENT FOR DEPARTMENT
SPOKESMAN FOLLOWS BE SEPTTEL.
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